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1. JP 2001-222624
2. JP 2002-323980
3. JP 2003-6133
4. JP 2002-123394
5. WO 99/67067
6. JP 2002-187082
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